THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : No point of order. If anybody wants clarification, he can ask it. You want clarifications or no clarifications ?... I gave my ruling... No point of order. I have heard enough points of order. Yes, Mr. Kulkarni.

SHRI A G. KULKARNI : I want to know... (*Interruptions*).

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : I said in a very clear voice that अगर आपका भारत बेइमान नहीं है तो कह दीजिए कि बेइमान नहीं है । बात खत्म हो गयी। Don't disturb.

SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: How can you mislead the House like this?

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA : We thought only the Prime Minister told us untruths. But we find that you are also hearing wrongly. (*Interruptions*)

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : If the Members are not going to listen, if the Members are not in a mood to ask clarifications, I will adjourn the House The House is adjourned for lunch for one hour.

The House then adjourned for lunch at fifty-five minutes past one of the clock.

The House reassembled, after lunch, at fifty-nine minutes past two of the clock,

The Deputy Chairman in the Chair.

DEMAND FOR CANCELLATION OF THE SITTING OF THE HOUSE ON FRIDAY, THE 13TH OCTOBER, 1989 ON ACCOUNT OF ID-E-MILAD-UN-NABI

श्री मीर्जा इर्शादबेग (गुजरात) : माननीय उपसभापति महोदया, मैं आपसे एक निवेदन करना चाहता हूं कि कल यौमे ईदे मिलादउन्नबी है और प्रोफेट की बर्थडे है। इसलिए मैं यह मांग करता हूं कि सदन की कार्यवाही को कल स्थगित कर दिया जाए और कल की जो कार्यवाही है, उसको मुल्तवी करके परसों उस कार्यवाही को हाथ में लिया जाए।

मैं आशा करता हूं कि आप इन सेंटिमेंट्स को ध्यान में रखते हुए सरकार से यह निवेदन करें कि कल की कार्यवाही परसों की जाए।

ठाकुर जगतपाल सिंह : (मध्य प्रदेश) : महोदया, मैं भी इसका समर्थन करता हूं।

कु० सईदा खातून (मध्य प्रदेश) : माननीय महोदया, मैं भी इसका समर्थन करती हूं।

श्री राम चन्द्र विकल (उत्तर प्रदेश) : सारा सदन ही इसका समर्थन करता है।

श्री मीर्जा इर्शादबेग : मैं ऐसा करता हूं कि पार्लियामेंट्री एफेयर्ज मिनिस्टर भी यहां मौजूद हैं ....

TH MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) : We are agreeable to give a holiday tomororw porvided we sit on Saturady to compensate this.

...(*Interruptions*)...

SHRI MIRZA IRSHADBAIG : Tomorrow is Id-e-Milad-un-Nabi. That is why...

3.00 P.M.

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH (West Bengal): You are aware that this request was made in the last BAC meeting.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : I was not there.

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH : You were not there. But there our Chairman said that

it may be decided by the Lok Sabha firt. But, anyway, the request was made known to the Chairman. The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs, Mr. Bhagat himself was present. So, if anything is to be decided, that can be decided in the meeting normally if it is necessary.

But I have a hunch, I have an apprehension. I do not mind if on the Prophet's birthday a holiday is declared. It was in the know. It was not suddenly decided that it was the Prophet's birthday. The Government was in the know of it. The Parliamentary Affairs Ministry was in the know of it. Certain Governments had already declared it a restricted holiday. Yet it was annouced that the House will sit on this day.

So, suddenly what exactly has appeared? Is it because certain press conference has been held? Is it because some more revelations will be made tomorrow in the newspapers and that is why they want to avoid the sitting?

SHRI MIRZA IRSHADBAIG: Madam, the reality is, it is according to the lunar calendar. It was not earlier decided by the authorities. That is why they have declared it now that it will fall on this day. It may be on this day or another day.

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: The Delhi Adminisration had declared it before we met in the BAC meeting.

ठाकुर जगतपाल सिंह : ऐसा है मून के ऊपर डिपेंड करता है । चूंकि पहले मालूम नहीं था और अब मून के देखने के बाद डेट फिक्स हुई है । . . . (**व्यवधान**)

श्री चतुरानन मिश्र (बिहार) : वैसे तो इस बार सैशन ही दशहरे के दूसरे दिन बुलाया गया, सब को दिक्कत हुई । अब मोहम्मद साहब का जन्मदिन है, उस पर छट्टी हो यह तो बहुत अच्छी बात है और उस में हमें कोई एतराज नहीं है, लेकिन अब या तो शनिवार को मीटिंग कीजिए या फिर हाउस एक्सटैंड कीजिए क्योंकि जितना जल्दी काम होना चाहिए उतना जल्दी कोई काम हो नहीं पा रहा है ।

एक माननीय सदस्य : सैटडें कैसे होगा ?

श्री चतुरानन मिश्र : नहीं होगा, तो फिर हाउस एक्सटैंड करें । . . . (**व्यवधान**)

PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA (Andhra Pradesh): Madam, we cannot be pushed like this.

SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: I am not telling that. I have just given an alternative.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Nobody is pushing anything.

श्री चतुरानन मिश्र : हम यह कह रहे हैं कि या तो हाउस को एक्सटैंड किया जाये, क्योंकि देखिये अभी कम्युनल सिचुएशन है, अभी कर्नाटक पर डिबेट पूरी नहीं हो पाई है . . . (**व्यवधान**) अभी बाकी है और अभी पंजाब बाकी है । तो हर चीज को दो-दो, चार-चार मिनट में कैसे कहा जाये ? इससे अच्छा था कि हम लोगों को घर में चिट्ठी भेज देते और वहीं से हम लोग "यस" और "नो" कह देते । अगर यही पार्लियामेंट की, यही आप लोगों की परिकल्पना है तो हमको इस बात का बहुत दुख है ।

उपसभापति : अभी पार्लियामेंटरी एफेयर्ज मिनिस्टर हैं वह बोलें । . . . (**व्यवधान**)

श्री चतुरानन मिश्र : सपोर्ट तो हम करते हैं लेकिन तब हाउस को एक्सटैंड कीजिये और यह नहीं कि प्रैस कांफ्रेंस में कोई बात हो जाये तो इसलिये हाउस ही का गला कट जाए ।

उपसभापति : भगत जी, बोलिये ।

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): Madam Deputy Chairman, let me with respect to Shri Dipen Ghosh categorically

[Shri H. K. L. Bhagat]

say that this has not been brought by us suddenly because of a press conference held and so on and so forth. He is saying things which do not exist.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : Was there any press conference on the Prophet's birthday ?

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH : He knows what press conference has been held and what is coming out tomorrow.

SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT : Let me complete. Why I am saying this is that he should not have any apprehension that we are doing it because of this or that, number one.

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH : On that day when the matter was raised, you did not say this in the BAC meeting. On the contrary you insisted in the Business Advisory Committee meeting that the House would sit tomorrow. Today you are coming out.

SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT : I am not coming out.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : Allow him to speak.

SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT : Members have given a suggestion to which I am reacting that we will have absolutely no objection if the House does not sit tomorrow and sits on Saturday.

PROF C LAKSHMANNA: No, we have commitments. We cannot sit.

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH : Then it has to be decided in the Committee. We are not at your beck and call.

SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT : The matter is very simple. If you don't want to sit...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : Let him finish and then speak. Let us not get excited on it.

SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT : If they accept it, well and good; if they do not accept it, then we can meet tomorrow. The proposition is before the hon. Members. We have no objection in accepting it.

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH : Holiday can be declared. I have already said, You were not in that Business Advisory Committee meeting. There was a request from Mirza Irshadbaig, from Madam and from Mr. Matto. Mr. Bhagat himself was present. He did not react. On the contrary he said : No, we have our business and we must sit. But hon. Chairman stated whether that one day will be declared a holiday or not will be decided first by the Lok Sabha. For the last two days we have not been told anything. But today they are coming up with a proposal that tomorrow there will be a holiday and we will have to sit on Saturday. Tomorrow may be a holiday, but we are not going to sit on Saturday. My apprehension is that today he is reacting favourably only because of the fact that there has been a press conference today, which he knows, and tomorrow newspapers will bring out certain other revelations about Bofors, about the Italian connections with the Bofors deal. So, they don't want to face the Parliament tomorrow.

SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT : His presentation is wrong. But still I would say, if you don't want it, we will sit tomorrow.

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY (Karnaaka) : Madam, he quoted yesterday's discussions in the Business Advisory Committee. I was also present there. We discussed about the programme for the session and also how long we should sit. This was also raised. We, on behalf of the Opposition, said, if the Government buiness is long, we are prepraed to cooperate with them. We told them that we are prepared to sit not for four days, but even for more days, if necessary. It is not as if we are non-cooperative with the Government. We are cooperative with the Government in respect of their business. But in regard to the question whether a holiday should be declared tomorrow or not—you were also present—there was a small discussion on that and Bhagat Ji said that he would not

like to have a holiday tomorrow because of the pressure of business.

SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT : It is totally wrong. I never said that. I only asked : Are you prepared to sit longer till the night if a holiday is declared. You said: No, we will not sit for longer hours, we want to sit for more days.

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY : That is true. I don't contradict you. (*Interruptions*).

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH : But the question is why can't the House sit beyond 16th ? Is it because your leader is going away ? (*Interruptions*)

SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT : It is for you. If you don't accept, we will sit tomorrow.

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY : Madam, I don't contradict the statement of Bhagat Ji. It is true he said that we should sit longer hours. To that we took objection. Instead of longer hours our request was let us sit on more days.

SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT : I said no more days. (*Interruptions*)

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : We cannot keep on discussing this. Mr. Gurupadaswamy, please give me a chance to speak. One or two Members or a couple of members today discussed it. What happened yesterday, it is O.K., but just now one Member got up and some other Members also said that they wanted to do it. If other Members don't want to do it, let us not argue and waste more time. O.K., we will not have a holiday tomorrow (*Interruptions*)

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH : This is not our contention. My point is that Mr. Bhagat himself was present in that meeting when a similar request was made. He did not react favourably. On the contrary, he insisted that the House should sit on 13th. But today he is coming up with a proposal, tomorrow there is going to be a holiday.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : Just a minute. I was there in the morning meeting when Kumari Sayeeda Khatun brought her special mention and the matter was brought before the Chairman and I remember clearly what Bhagatji said. He said "Let us sit for longer hours." That was his contention.

Now let us close this matter and go adhead with Karnataka.

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY : I have not finished it.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : It is over.

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY : When this matter was raised, Bhagatji was very specific that we should sit tomorrow.

SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT : That was the deicsion of all of us. You also wanted to sit. I was suggesting, sit for longer hours if you want to participate. If you are not prepared to participate... (*Interruptions*)... don't accept it.

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY : I am only saying this, if the Government wants to sit tomorrow, we are ready to sit but we are not prepared to sit on Saturday. I want to make it clear.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : All right. There is a message from the Lok Sabha.

MESSAGE FROM THE LOK SABHA

Direct Tax Law (Second Amendment) Bill, 1989

SECRETARY-GENERAL : Madam, I have to report to the House the following message received from the Lok Sabha signed by the Secretary-General of the Lok Sabha :

"In acordance with the provisions of rule 96 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha, I am directed to enclose the Direct Tax Laws (Second Amendment) Bill, 1989, as